at our farthest distance from the sun. The sun's pull upon us will then grow weaker and we shall be in danger of flying off our track altogether unless we diminish speed and give the sun time to get a better grip upon us ; that saves us from our other peril, and instead of flying off in space we are bent round and turn the corner in safety.

How marvellous also it is that the earth having completed its circuit round the sun and having travelled at ! various degrees of speed and been subject to other disturbances on its path, nevertheless, turns up to time at Greenwich to within the one-hundredth part of a second ! The . . earth being dead matter, its exceedingly sensible behaviour under changing circumstances, must be attributed to a Super-human Mind working it or in it, a Mind which understands fully the laws of centripetal and centrifugal motion, and imposed those laws upon our planet, as elsewhere, to carry out Its purpose of keeping it always in its orbit.

Besides, our earth is so related to the sun and the moon that seed time and harvest never ^ail and the

ebb and flow
of tides never deceive us.
There are several departmepts of science such as che-
mistry, geology, psychology, as much or even more adapted
than astronomy to furnish proofs of the wisdom of a Silper-
human Mind ; but there is none which affords us such evidence
of Its power or so helps us to realise Its Omnipresence, our
own nothingness before It and the littleness of our earth
in the system of creation.
The Naturalist tells us of the life and economy of the
clover plant revealing secrets of its marvellous powers of
self-preservation and the contrivances for its survival and
reproduction. The intelligence and forethought revealed
in its organisation and habits far surpass anything which
the skill or mind of man could have produced. The clover
is so constituted that only bees can fertilise it and the bee
is so organised that one of its chief occupations is to gather